

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**ABSTRACT**

Forest Department – Constitution of Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for Geomatic Centre to review the technical activities of the Centre of the A.P. Forest Department- Orders issued.

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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Ms.No.121**

**Dt.04.12.2009**

**Read the followings:-**

From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh,  
Hyderabad Letter No.26482/2008/IT-I,Dt.07.06.2008.

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**ORDER:-**

In the reference read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has reported that the A.P. Forest Department is monitoring change in forest cover since 1996. The digital database is created in the form of layers for forest block / compartment, vegetation, VSS, streams and water bodies apart from derived layers like forest fire zonation, site suitability maps for soil moisture conservation (SMC) structures etc. Forest inventory is taken up in Andhra Pradesh during 2007-08 to assess timber, firewood, bamboo and NTFP wealth apart from regeneration status in the Forests. He has also reported that, to review activities under taken by Forest Survey of India (FSI), the MoEF, GoI, have constituted a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) in November 2006 and, he has suggested to constitute a similar committee to review activities of GIS wing of A.P. Forest Department in respect of the following activities:-

1. The methodology followed by the A.P. Forest Department for assessment using remote sensing and guidance on assessment for future.
2. Methodology for assessment of NTFP and Forests / trees out-side the notified forests.
3. Updation of existing layers in A.P. Forest Department, both spatial and non-spatial.
4. Review existing Forest Inventory method and guidance for future.
5. Methodology for use of Remote Sensing, GIS and GPS for preparation of Management plans for VSS and Working Plans.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has proposed that the Technical Advisory Committee meets at least once every year and that the Committee may be treated as Class – I Committee. He has requested that Technical Advisory Committee for Geomatic Centre of the A.P.F.D. may be constituted with the Addl.PCCF O/o Prl.CCF, AP, Hyderabad, as convener of the Committee.

3. Government after careful examination of the proposal hereby constitute a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for Geomatic Centre of the A.P.F.D. with the following members:-

1. Head of the Forestry Division of NRSA, Hyderabad.
2. The Additional Director, (Scientific – Biosphere Reserves), Paryavaran Bhavan, Ministry of Environment & Forests, GoI, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
3. Representative from Forest Survey of India (FSI), Dehradun.
4. Director, APSRAC, Hyderabad.

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5. Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (IT)O/o Prl.CCF, AP, Hyderabad (Convenor) and
  6. Chief Conservator of Forests (GIS), o/o. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
4. Government also orders that the above Committee shall be treated as Class-I Committee and shall meet at least once in a year. The official members of the Committee are allowed TA and DA in accordance with APTA Rules. With regards to non-official members of Government Committees, who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are entitled to the payment of traveling allowance and daily allowance, reimbursement of loading charges and mileage allowance as per the rates applicable to the Government Officers belonging to Grade-I in annexure-I as per 13(a) Annexure-VI under Rule 91 of APTA Rules, 1996.
5. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance (Exp.M&F) Department, U.O.No.28143/168/A2/Exp.M&F/09,dated.01.12.2009.
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad is requested to take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

JANAKI R.KONDAPI  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
All the Members through Prl.CCF,AP,Hyderabad.  
The Accountant General, AP, Hyderabad.  
The Pay & Accounts Office, Hyderabad.  
The Finance (Expr. M&F) Deptt.,  
S.F/ S.Cs.

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